

**U.S. District Court
District of Columbia (Washington, DC)
CIVIL DOCKET FOR CASE #: 1:19-cv-02743-CJN**

JUDICIAL WATCH, INC. v. U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
Assigned to: Judge Carl J. Nichols
Cause: 05:552 Freedom of Information Act

Date Filed: 09/13/2019
Jury Demand: None
Nature of Suit: 895 Freedom of Information Act
Jurisdiction: U.S. Government Defendant

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Date Filed	#	Docket Text
09/13/2019	<u>1</u>	COMPLAINT against U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE (Filing fee \$ 400 receipt number 0090-6377011) filed by JUDICIAL WATCH, INC.. (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Civil Cover Sheet, # <u>2</u> Summons U.S. Attorney for the District of Columbia, # <u>3</u> Summons U.S. Attorney General, # <u>4</u> Summons U.S. Department of Justice)(Orfanedes, Paul) (Entered: 09/13/2019)
09/13/2019	<u>2</u>	LCvR 26.1 CERTIFICATE OF DISCLOSURE of Corporate Affiliations and Financial Interests by JUDICIAL WATCH, INC. (Orfanedes, Paul) (Entered: 09/13/2019)
09/16/2019		Case Assigned to Judge Carl J. Nichols. (zeg) (Entered: 09/16/2019)
09/16/2019	<u>3</u>	SUMMONS (3) Issued Electronically as to U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE, U.S. Attorney and U.S. Attorney General (Attachment: # <u>1</u> Notice and Consent)(zeg)

		(Entered: 09/16/2019)
09/23/2019	<u>4</u>	RETURN OF SERVICE/AFFIDAVIT of Summons and Complaint Executed as to the United States Attorney. Date of Service Upon United States Attorney on 9/23/2019. Answer due for ALL FEDERAL DEFENDANTS by 10/23/2019. (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Declaration of Cristina Rotaru)(Orfanedes, Paul) (Entered: 09/23/2019)
09/23/2019	<u>5</u>	RETURN OF SERVICE/AFFIDAVIT of Summons and Complaint Executed on United States Attorney General. Date of Service Upon United States Attorney General 9/23/19., RETURN OF SERVICE/AFFIDAVIT of Summons and Complaint Executed. U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE served on 9/23/2019. (See Docket Entry <u>4</u> to view document). (znmw) (Entered: 09/27/2019)
09/30/2019	<u>6</u>	NOTICE of Appearance by Chris Fedeli on behalf of JUDICIAL WATCH, INC. (Fedeli, Chris) (Entered: 09/30/2019)
10/23/2019	<u>7</u>	MOTION for Extension of Time to <i>Respond to Plaintiff's Complaint</i> by U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE (Truong, John) (Entered: 10/23/2019)
10/24/2019		MINUTE ORDER. Upon consideration of Defendant's <u>7</u> Motion for Extension of Time, it is hereby ORDERED that the Motion is GRANTED and that Defendant shall respond to the Complaint on or before November 22, 2019. Signed by Judge Carl J. Nichols on October 24, 2019. (lccjn1) (Entered: 10/24/2019)
10/24/2019		Set/Reset Deadlines: Defendant Response To The Complaint due by 11/22/2019, (mac) (Entered: 10/24/2019)
11/21/2019	<u>8</u>	ANSWER to Complaint by U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE. (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Exhibit A, # <u>2</u> Exhibit B)(Truong, John) (Entered: 11/21/2019)
11/25/2019		MINUTE ORDER. Before the Court in this Freedom of Information Act case are a Complaint and an Answer. The requirements of Local Civil Rule 16.3 and Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 26(f) appear to be inapplicable. It is hereby ORDERED that the Parties shall confer and file a Joint Status Report on or before December 13, 2019. The Joint Status Report shall address: (1) the status of Plaintiff's FOIA request; (2) the anticipated number of documents responsive to Plaintiff's FOIA request; (3) the anticipated date(s) for release of the documents requested by Plaintiff; (4) whether a motion for stay is likely under <i>Open America v. Watergate Special Prosecution Force</i> , 547 F.2d 605 (D.C. Cir. 1976); and (5) whether the Parties anticipate summary judgment briefing and, if so, a proposed briefing schedule. Signed by Judge Carl J. Nichols on November 25, 2019. (lccjn1) (Entered: 11/25/2019)
11/25/2019		Set/Reset Deadlines: Joint Status Report due by 12/13/2019. (mac) (Entered: 11/25/2019)